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Why Judge Christina Snyder Needs Her Coffee Strong

In a recent interview, U.S. District Court Senior Judge Christina Snyder spoke with Law360 about her working weekends, collecting the art of Mary Corse and the political women she'd like to have lunch with, but can't.

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Analysis

Breaking Down J&J And California's $1B Pelvic Mesh Trial

Johnson & Johnson is about to face off with California Attorney General Xavier Becerra's office in a first-of-its-kind trial over allegations the company falsely marketed its pelvic mesh devices to hundreds of thousands of Golden State women, and could face a near billion-dollar judgment if it loses. Here, Law360 takes a look at the case in advance of the trial scheduled to begin Monday.

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Trump Seeks High Court Stay Of Border Wall Fund Injunction

The Trump administration asked the U.S. Supreme Court on Friday to stay a California federal court's ruling that keeps him from pulling $2.5 billion in Defense Department money to pay for six border wall projects while it tries to overturn the decision at the Ninth Circuit.

Motion attached | Read full article »

War Exclusions Don't Bar Film Relocation Coverage: 9th Circ.

The Ninth Circuit on Friday rebooted a NBCUniversal production unit's effort to force its insurer to cover the costs of moving filming of a TV series away from Jerusalem amid armed strife between Israel and Hamas in 2014, finding that a lower court erroneously applied a pair of exclusions for war-related losses.

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Rimini Fights Oracle Injunction, $29M Atty Fee Win At 9th Circ.

Rimini Street Inc. urged the Ninth Circuit on Friday to slash a $28.5 million attorney fee award and scrap an injunction barring the software support service from copying Oracle's software, arguing that it stopped infringing the software years ago and the injunction is "dramatic and broad."

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POLICY & REGULATION

Gov't Says Oakland Can't Cry Lost Taxes From Raiders Move

The U.S. government on Friday intervened in the City of Oakland's lawsuit against the Oakland Raiders and the NFL over the Raiders' pending relocation to Las Vegas to argue that the city can't use alleged lost tax

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revenue from the departure of the team as a basis for antitrust claims.

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REAL ESTATE & DEVELOPMENT

Sunroad Enterprises Lands $223M Loan For Calif. Apartments

San Diego real estate firm Sunroad Enterprises has landed $222.5 million in financing for a pair of multifamily properties in the San Diego area, according to an announcement on Friday from Jones Lang LaSalle Inc., which brokered the deal for Sunroad.

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Real Estate Rumors: Carlton, Omega, Rockland Trust

Carlton Group is reportedly taking 6,000 square feet in Manhattan, Omega Cinema Props is said to be leasing 245,000 square feet in Los Angeles, and Rockland Trust has reportedly loaned $13.8 million for a Massachusetts affordable housing project.

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ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

Analysis

Environmental Policy To Watch In 2019: Midyear Report

The Trump administration will continue to forge ahead with headline-making regulatory changes in the rest of 2019, with a final rule redefining the limits of the Clean Water Act topping the list. Here's a look ahead at the biggest environment-related regulations to watch in the second half of 2019.

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18 State AGs Call On House To Ban Asbestos

A group of 18 attorneys general on Friday urged the House's Committee on Energy and Commerce to enact a full ban on making, importing and distributing asbestos within the U.S.

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INSURANCE

UnitedHealthcare Hit With Substance Use Coverage Suit

UnitedHealthcare has been hit with a proposed class action accusing the insurer of putting barriers between patients and substance abuse treatment in the midst of an opioid epidemic, even when patients had Employee Retirement Income Security Act plans promising access to such coverage.

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PRODUCT LIABILITY

Avon Nears Costs Win After Cancer Victim Rejects $10K Deal

A California judge tentatively ruled Friday that because a cancer patient rejected Avon's $10,000 settlement offer in a talc asbestos suit the beauty products maker later quashed, she must pay $47,000 the company spent hiring experts to fight the allegations.

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Honda Is Hiding Acura RDX 'Infotainment' Glitch, Owners Say

Owners of brand new Acura RDX vehicles filed a proposed class action in California federal court Thursday alleging Honda knowingly sold vehicles with defective technology consoles that could distract drivers and become a safety hazard.

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Analysis

Personal Injury And Med Mal Cases To Watch: Midyear Report

Personal injury and medical malpractice attorneys are entering the second half of 2019 with their eyes on cases that include a Third Circuit appeal over whether Transportation Security Administration screeners are immune from traveler abuse suits, and Florida and Texas high court disputes regarding civil liability in connection with mass shootings.

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PRIVACY & CONSUMER PROTECTION

Facebook Says Suit Over Fake 'Likes' Must Remain In Calif.

Facebook and Instagram are fighting New Zealand-based Social Media Series Ltd.'s bid to dismiss a $10 million suit the social media giants lodged against it for allegedly selling fake “likes,” saying SMS consented to the jurisdiction of California courts and therefore the case doesn’t belong in New Zealand.

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Calif. Tees Off $10M Unpaid Fees Suit Vs. Golf Club Operator

California has sued ClubCorp for failing to return more than $10 million in initiation fees owed to Golden State residents, accusing the sprawling golf and country club operator of holding fast to its founder's maxim that "a dollar paid back is a dollar lost forever."

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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Walmart Supplier Not Covered For TM Feud, 9th Circ. Told

A Chubb Ltd. insurer on Thursday urged the Ninth Circuit to uphold a lower court’s ruling that it is not obligated to cover a Walmart clothing supplier’s costs to defend and settle a lawsuit accusing the retail giant of infringing on a mixed martial arts apparel company’s trademarks.

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SPORTS & BETTING

Disabled Fans Slam 49ers' Arguments In Stadium ADA Case

Disabled sports fans suing the San Francisco 49ers and the city of Santa Clara, California, in a class action over a "disability access nightmare" at Levi's Stadium have pushed back against the defendants' attempt to shut down the suit, calling their arguments "premised on profound misunderstandings" of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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EMPLOYMENT

SF Nurses Get Conditional Cert. In OT Collective Action

A California federal judge Friday conditionally certified a Fair Labor Standards Act collective action brought by nurses who claim their employer, the city of San Francisco, classifies them as per diem workers in order to avoid paying them proper overtime wages.

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SECURITIES & WHITE COLLAR

Ex-LA Broker Convicted In $200M Portfolio Pumping Scheme

A California federal jury convicted a former Beverly Hills stockbroker Friday of participating in a stock price manipulation scheme that fraudulently pumped up the reported profits of hedge funds and caused investors to lose $200 million, the U.S. Attorney’s Office announced.

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Investors Say Sales Potential Of Hair Transplant Robot Inflated

Restoration Robotics investors slapped the medical technology company with a putative securities class action in California federal court Thursday, alleging executives inflated the sales potential of a robotic machine the company was developing to assist physicians in hair restoration surgery.

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PRIVATE EQUITY

Analysis

No Summer Break Yet As 10 Firms Ready 9 IPOs For Market

Ten firms plan to guide nine initial public offerings projected to raise about $2.8 billion during the week of July 15, steering a slew of deals keeping the summer pipeline humming, led by a Chinese streamer looking to raise about $859 million.

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TAX

Taxation With Representation: Skadden, Sullivan, Wachtell

In this week's Taxation With Representation, Piper Jaffray and Sandler O'Neill join forces in a $485 million merger, Cisco snaps up fiber optics company Acacia Communications for $2.6 billion, and Virgin Galactic merges with a special purpose acquisition company held by Social Capital and Hedosophia to create a $1.5 billion company.

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EXPERT ANALYSIS

State Net

Local Governments Push To Regulate Public Surveillance

San Francisco's Board of Supervisors recently approved an ordinance banning the use of facial recognition technology by all city departments. The law is part of a growing movement among localities and states to increase oversight of the use of surveillance technologies by government entities, says Korey Clark of State Net Capitol Journal.

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How To Evaluate The Rise In Legal Employment

Although the rate of employment for law school graduates — which had been falling steadily — saw a small increase over the last year, other factors, such as fewer graduates overall and potential future job growth stagnation, temper the good news for those pursuing law degrees, say Tiffane Cochran and Tyler Grimm of AccessLex Institute.

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LEGAL INDUSTRY

In Appalachia, A Lawyer's Vast Fraud Dogs Destitute Clients

Four years have passed since an attorney's unprecedented fraud led to the sudden suspension or reduction of disability benefits for thousands of people. But despite a massive pro bono effort, many are still fighting to convince the government they played no part in the scheme.

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Law Firm Leaders Expect Growth, But Also Rising Expenses

Law firm managers eyeing the remainder of 2019 have slightly higher confidence in the U.S. and global economies, but expenses are expected to eat into a greater chunk of firms' bottom lines, according to a survey released Friday.

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Thompson Coburn Chair To Be Succeeded By Litigation Head

Thompson Coburn LLP on Friday announced that current Chair Tom Minogue will leave the position next July, handing over the reins to Roman Wuller, who currently heads the firm's litigation department.

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Feds Say Craig's Mueller Interview Relevant At FARA Trial

Federal prosecutors urged a D.C. judge on Thursday to allow evidence at the upcoming trial of ex-Skadden partner Gregory Craig about how the firm was paid for a controversial report at the center of the case and Craig's statements about that report to special counsel Robert Mueller's investigators last year.

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Legal Groups Call For Independent Immigration Courts

Four prominent legal organizations are urging lawmakers to grant the immigration court system independence from the U.S. Department of Justice, citing growing dysfunction and serious due process concerns within the courts.

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GC Cheat Sheet: The Hottest Corporate News Of The Week

Observers think regulators are waiting to be convinced that broker-dealers use effective processes to protect customer assets, and the Department of Justice will now consider "robust" compliance programs when contemplating bringing charges against whistleblower companies. These are some of the stories in corporate legal news you may have missed in the past week.

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In Case You Missed It: Hottest Firms And Stories On Law360

For those who missed out, here's a look back at the law firms, stories and expert analyses that generated the most buzz on Law360 last week.

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Podcast

Law360's Pro Say: Neal Katyal On Trump's Census About-Face

The Supreme Court term is over, but what will we remember 10 years from now? On this week's Pro Say podcast, we're joined by former acting U.S. Solicitor General Neal Katyal, who shares his take on the biggest trends, Trump finally abandoning his plan to add a citizenship question to the census, and whether stare decisis is in trouble.

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